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ROBERT MAC NEIL, National Broadcasting Company (NBC) News Correspondent, on evening of November 30, 1963, furnished the following typewritten statement, signed by him, to Special Agents GERALD V. CASWELL and JAMES J. ROGERS as these agents were leaving NBC offices, 30 Rockefeller Plaza, Manhattan, New York.

"Just before the shooting of the President in Dallas on November 22, I was riding in the first press bus of the motorcade, some seven or eight cars behind the president. On hearing the shots I got out of the bus immediately and followed some police officers who were running up the grass slope to the right of the road on which the President was shot. We climbed a fence and I followed the police who appeared to be chasing someone, or under the impression they were chasing someone, across the railroad tracks. Wanting to phone news of the shooting, I left there and went to the nearest place that looked like an office. It was the Texas School Book Depository. I believe I entered the front door about four minutes after the shooting. I went immediately into the clear space on the ground floor and asked where there was a phone. There were, as I recall, three men there, all I think in shirt sleeves. What, on recollection, strikes me as possibly significant is that all three seemed to be exceedingly calm and relaxed, compared to the pandemonium which existed right outside their front door. I did not pay attention to this at the time. I asked the first man I saw-- a man who was telephoning from a phone by a pillar in the middle of the room.--where I could call from. He directed me to another man nearer the door, who pointed to an office. When I got to the phone, two of the lines were already lit up. I made my call and left. I do not believe any police officers entered the building before me or until I left. I was in too much of a hurry to remember what the three men there looked like. But their manner was very relaxed. My New York news desk has since placed the time of my call at 12:36 Dallas time

"/s/ Robert Mac Neil
NBC News Correspondent
~~New York.~~
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MAC NEIL did not furnish any additional information at that time as he had to leave immediately on an assignment.